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February 5, 1987

Title: A/C POWERED SMOKE DETECTOR WITH

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Docket No.:

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Dear Sir:

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This paper submits \$2,765 in payment of the total shown below for the potential erroneous payment of fees as a small entity for the above-identified application.

Enclosed is the Declaration of Robert E. Browne supporting this submission. It is believed that entitlement to small entity status was originally claimed in good faith and payment of small entity fees as the filing fee, the issue fee, extension fee, correction fee and petition fee in the above patent were without any intent to deceive the Patent and Trademark Office. However, in the event that facts subsequently come to light showing that the above identified application was not originally entitled to small entity status, this submission makes up the difference in all fees paid as a small entity beginning with the filing of the application.

The following table provides a detailed breakdown of the fees covered by this submission pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(c)(2)(ii).

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Date Fee Paid	Type of Fee	Current Large Entity Fee (A)	Amount Originally Paid (B)	Amount of Deficiency (A) – (B)	
2/5/87	Filing	\$ 810	\$170	\$ 640	
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6/5/90	Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment *	\$ 510	-0-	\$ 510	
12/14/90	Request for Certificate of Correction	\$ 100	-0-	\$ 100	
6/5/90	Issue	\$1,440	\$310	\$1,130	

Total = \$2,765

*This title was adopted by the USPTO for a paper originally filed as a Petition to Revive An Unintentionally Abandoned Application. There is no Petition similar to a Petition to Withdraw under present USPTO rules. Since the abandonment was due to a file lost by the USPTO, we have paid a Petition for Unavoidable Delay fee, but since no fee was assessed at the time, it may be unnecessary with this Petition. If so, we ask that it be refunded.

The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 502,261. If there are any questions upon receipt hereof, please telephone the Patentee's undersigned attorney.

Dated: October 2, 2008

Respectfully submitted,

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DECLARATION OF ROBERT E. BROWNE

I, Robert E. Browne, hereby declare as follows:

- 1. I am a partner in the law firm of Neal Gerber & Eisenberg, LLP in Chicago, Illinois and am admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of Illinois. I am also registered to practice before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office as Registration No. 26,150. I have specialized in patent and trademark law since 1971.
- 2. On February 5, 1987, while a partner at Wallenstein, Wagner, Hattis, Strampel and Aubel, in Chicago, I represented Fyrnetics, Inc. and supervised the filing of the above identified application in the name of Dale Fiene, who I knew to be an employee of Fyrnetics, Inc.
- 3. I have been aware since before this application was filed, and at the time of filing, that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO") permits an applicant to pay reduced fees if it qualifies as a "small entity" by virtue of having no more than 500 employees. Because I believed that Mr. Fiene had an obligation to assign the application to his employer, Fyrnetics, Inc., I believe that I would have enquired at that time, as was my customary practice, whether

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Fyrnetics had more than 500 employees. I am further certain that I was either told that it did not or that I knew from my own observation that Fyrnetics did not have 500 employees. In particular, Fyrnetics was housed in a small, one-story building in Elgin, Illinois, outside of Chicago, which had limited office space in the front, laboratory and test facilities in the center and storage space in the rear.

- 4. Fyrnetics appeared to operate independently with its own manager, employees and sales force. I also knew that Fyrnetics filed for or obtained and owned other U.S. patents in its name at this time.
- 5. The above application was subsequently assigned to Fyrnetics, Inc., by a document recorded in the USPTO on February 13, 1988.
- 6. On the basis of my knowledge at the time of filing, I believed that Fyrnetics qualified for small entity status under the USPTO Rules and that it had no obligation to license or assign the patent application or the invention.
- 7. I believe I also knew at that time that Fyrnetics had been acquired by, and was a subsidiary of, Management Investment and Technology, Ltd. ("MIT"), a Hong Kong company.

 My limited contacts with MIT indicated to me that MIT had very few employees.
- 8. I did not have any knowledge that MIT was a large entity under the USPTO Rules at any time during my involvement with this application.
- 9. On June 5, 1989, the application received a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due from the USPTO.

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- 10. On July 31, 1989, I submitted the issue fee and formal drawings for the application.
- On May 19, 1990, we received a Notice of Abandonment for failure to pay the issue fee. Upon investigation, we determined that the application file, drawings and our prior issue fee submission had been lost by the USPTO. Thereafter, on June 13, 1990, we filed a Petition to Revive an Unintentionally Abandoned Application with a Declaration in support, which was granted by the USPTO on August 30, 1990. The USPTO decision allowed the Petition fee to be refunded. With our Petition we enclosed another check in the amount of \$310.00 as the issue fee for a small entity.
- 12. Fyrnetics, Inc. executed an Assignment on April 19, 1990 to MIT which was recorded in the USPTO on June 11, 1990 after the issue fee was paid a second time.
- 13. To the extent my belief about the size of MIT and Fyrnetics were erroneous and the filing fee, issue fee and other fees paid as a small entity were erroneous, I can state that such payments were made in good faith without any intent on my part to deceive the USPTO. All fees paid by me in small entity amounts were paid in good faith also without any intent on my part to deceive the USPTO. Further, the failure to notify the USPTO of any loss of entitlement to small entity status was likewise without any intent to deceive the USPTO.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true and further that the statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements are punishable by fine or

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imprisonment or both under § 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of this application or any patent issued thereon.

Date: 602, 2008

Robert E. Browne Reg. No. 26,150

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